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SUBJ: SWEDISH FONOFF OFFICIAL'S REPORT OF CHINESE VIEWS ON KOREA

1. SWEDISH FOREIGN OFFICE POLITICAL DIRECTOR LEIFLAND IS SPENDING A FEW DAYS IN NEW YORK ON HIS WAY HOME FROM VISIT TO PEKING. IN CONVERSATION WITH AMBASSADOR BENNETT NOVEMBER 20, LEIFLAND SAID CHINESE HAD MADE CLEAR TO HIM DURING WEEK LONG VISIT IN PEKING THAT THEY HAD NO REPEAT NO DESIRE TO SEE U.S. TROOPS REMOVED FROM KOREA. HE ALSO RECEIVED DISTINCT IMPRESSION THAT CHINESE ARE RATHER WEARY OF NORTH KOREAN'S LACK OF RESPONSIVENESS TO CHINESE POSITIONS.

2. CHINESE HAD ALSO STRESSED TO SWEDISH VISITOR THE IMPORTANCE OF A STRONG NATO AND HAD GONE SO FAR AS TO URGE THAT SWEDEN CONSIDER MEMBERSHIP IN NATO.

3. DURING DISCUSSION ON KOREA, BENNETT TOOK OCCASION TO COMMENT TO LEIFLAND THAT COUNTRIES LIKE SWEDEN COULD WELL BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE MAJOR RESPONSIBILITY FOR PRESENT LUDICROUS (IF IT WERE NOT SO SERIOUS AN ISSUE) IMPASSE ON KOREA UNDER WHICH UNGA PASSED TWO MUTUALLY COMPETING AND CONTRADICTIONARY RESOLUTION ON KOREAN ISSUE. BENNETT PAID TRIBUTE TO WELL-MEANING EFFORTS OF SWEDEN AND OTHERS TO WORK OUT COMPROMISE SOLUTION BUT POINTED OUT THAT REBUFFS TO EFFORT HAD COME ENTIRELY FROM SIDE OF NORTH KOREANS AND THEIR ALLIES. NOT  
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ALL MEMBER STATES OF PRESENT UN MIGHT UNDERSTAND

IMPORTANCE OF PEACE AND SECURITY ISSUE INVOLVED IN KOREAN  
PENINSULA BUT SWEDEN WAS SOPHISTICATED COUNTRY WHICH DID  
UNDERSTAND A WAR AND PEACE ISSUE. THE FAILURE OF SUCH  
COUNTRIES TO OPPOSE ALGERIAN-NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION HAD  
LED DIRECTLY TO PRESENT SITUATION WHICH EXPOSED UN TO  
RIDCULE AS BEING AN UNSERIOUS FORUM ON  
IMPORTANT ISSUES. LEIFLAND HAD NO COMMENT.  
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